

JOB DESCRIPTION - PERSONAL ASSISTANT

Reports to:

Practice Manager & Head of Department

Role:

- To provide daily support to solicitors in managing their files and clients
- To uphold exceptional standards of quality and client care

Key Activities & Responsibilities:

Case Management & Client Care

- Word processing/typing and associated procedures (e.g. photocopying/scanning) on behalf of any
 of the firm's fee earners
- Sorting incoming post on a daily basis, including allocation to the appropriate files for consideration by fee-earners.
- Telephone and personal contact with clients and third parties e.g. courts, counsel progressing matters where possible without giving legal advice
- Making and accurately diarising appointments including making room/Teams bookings.
- Managing court diaries and police station attendances day to day
- Filing (mostly electronically but also paper in certain circumstances) ensuring that files are up to date, labelled correctly, in chronological order and easily accessible at all times.
- Assistance and support to fee-earners in time recording and billing.
- Preparing documentation bundles and use of e-bundling software (where appropriate) including use of PDF docs

Compliance

- To follow all policies and procedures contained within the Office Manual
- To act in accordance with the regulations of the Solicitors Regulation Authority, and all other relevant bodies
- To provide assistance to fee-earners in ensuring files meet relevant standards and comply with regulations

Teamwork

- Work as a team player with all staff
- To assist and work appropriately and considerately with fee earners and support staff
- To attend and participate in any meetings of the department or the firm when required

Competence & Development

- Maintain a good knowledge and understanding of office equipment and IT systems with a proactive approach to the introduction of new systems
- Maintain knowledge and skills in relevant practice area(s)

The duties and responsibilities in this job description are not exhaustive and are subject to change in accordance with the needs of the firm.